



PATENT APPLICATION
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In re patent application of:
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For: STEAM PRESSURE REDUCING AND CONDITIONING VALVE

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the transmitted herewith attachment(s) of the same date and subject which is/are incorporated hereunto by reference. The signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment(s) in absence of a signature thereto.

Transmitted herewith in the above-identified application is/are:

- 1) Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- 2) Second Preliminary Amendment;
- 3) Preliminary Amendment mailed January 23, 2002
- 4) Three (3) sheets of Formal Drawings, Figures 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 5) Acknowledgment Postcard.

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Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement claiming small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

XX No additional fee is required.

The Fee for entering the attached Preliminary Amendment is calculated below:

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY RATE	LARGE ENTITY RATE
TOTAL CLAIMS	(at least 20)	(at least 0)	x9 = <u>OR</u>	x18 = \$
INDEP. CLAIMS	(at least 3)	(at least 0)	x40 = <u>OR</u>	x80 = \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF <u>PROPER</u> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (leave blank if this is a <u>reissue</u> appln)			+135 = <u>OR</u>	+270 = \$
FEE FOR CLAIM AMENDMENTS				
IDS ATTACHED REQUIRES OFFICIAL FEE - ADD \$180 (RULE 1.97(c)) PETITION				\$
Assignment Recordation Fee (\$40)				\$
IF <u>TERMINAL DISCLAIMER</u> attached add Rule 20(d) Official Fee				\$55 (Small Entity) \$110 (Large Entity)

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached:

One Month	Small Entity \$ 55	Large Entity \$110
Two Months	\$195	\$390
Three Months	\$445	\$890
Four Months	\$695	\$1390
ADDITIONAL FEE FOR EXTENDED RESPONSE		

Applicant has not been notified that the requested extension will not be permitted. The present application is not involved in an interference declared pursuant to 37 CFR 1.611.

TOTAL FEES \$

A check in the amount of \$ to cover the TOTAL FEE is attached. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-0447.

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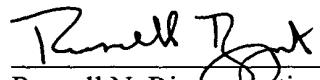
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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal form is filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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